Black Lives Matter

Youth across the G7 are demanding justice for black lives.

We call on our leaders to publicly condemn and urgently address the violence, racism, marginalization, and police brutality against black communities. The recent murders of George Floyd, Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor, Atatiana Jefferson, Regis Korchinski-Paquet and many more highlight the need for collective anti-racist action around the world. The disproportionate use of police force against Black people is a severe and systemic violation of their human rights, and gun violence must also be recognized as part of police violence. In addition, citizens speaking up against injustice through peaceful protest should never be met with violence. These are not isolated incidents - this violence is the materialization of centuries-old systemic racism against black communities and has rippling effects on the lives, mental health, and overall well-being of all Black people across the world. The normalization of brute force against Black people and the devaluation of their lives is a crisis that requires immediate action from G7 leaders so that not even one more life is senselessly lost. The Y7 recognizes the importance of shedding light on the Black Lives Matter movement and focusing on the plight of black communities, in our endeavour to create the foundations for dialogue and policy change that will ultimately benefit everyone.

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